GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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LAUNCH OF EDUCATIONAL F. M. RADIO NETWORK
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government propose to start the educational FM radio network in the country;

(b) if so, the cities identified for this purpose; and

(c) the time by which it would start functioning?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b): The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) under the Ministry of Human Resource Development has been grante a licences for operating FM Educational Channel in 40 centres as per details given in ANNEXURE.

(c): To begin with Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has initiated action to commission GYAN VANI stations a Lucknow, Coimbatore and Visakhapatnam by end of 2001.